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Dear Harold,

Sciambra's May 8, 1967 memo on his trip to Mobile deals with several matters. One is the arrest in Mobile of James Arville Hawkins of Baltimore by a Secret Service Agent Guthrie. Hawkins is said to have been boasting around the Baltimore area that he was on his way to New Orleans to attend a meeting which would result in the assassination of President Kennedy. However, Hawkins is apparently arrested in Mobile on his way back from New Orleans, after having spent three weeks there.

Sciambra also tried to check out "the veracity of a tape which said that Oswald spent some time in the Salvation Army in Mobile." A clerk at the Salvation Army and Art Keeney, News Director of WKRG, both promised they would check up on this report.

Keeney advised Sciambra that he had read in the Birmingham News that Clay Shaw had made a speech at Spring Hill College approximately 30 to 60 days after Oswald spoke there. Keeney also stated that "so far he has not been able to find one person who attended Oswald's speech at Spring Hill College.

Keeney told Sciambra that Walter C. Clewis, a friend of Jack Ruby's, was manager of the Municipal Auditorium in Mobile. Keeney named three "Vice Kings" of Mobile: Haskell Johnson, C. J. Holman, and Peter J. Corlich, as persons Ruby would have had to have contacted had he spent any time in the Mobile area. I thought you might want to know the names of these Vice Kings to see if they have any connections with any you have been checking on in other states.

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